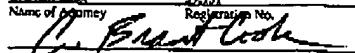


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Dear Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed January 9, 2002, Applicants have elected Group I, Claims 1-27 drawn to compositions containing polymers comprising cationically charged groups, classified in class 510, subclass 475, with traverse. The election is accompanied by a petition for a one-month extension of time along with the appropriate fee. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any extension of time fee and/or any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 16-2480.

AMENDMENTS

In the Claims:


Please cancel Claims 1-27 without prejudice.

Please add the following new Claims: